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DR. HELEN B. ROSS

Dedication

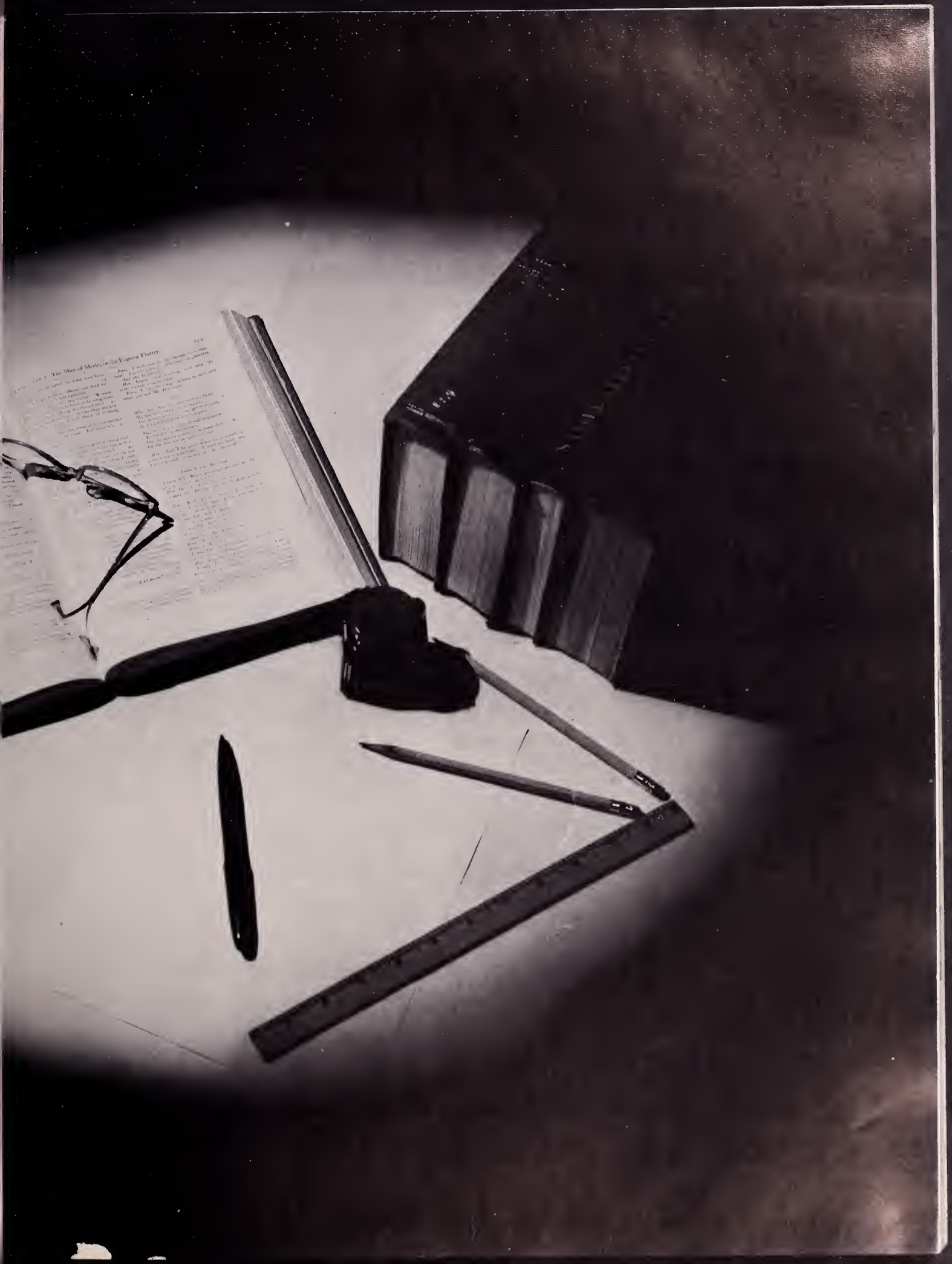
Dear Dr. Ross,

We, with sincere thanks, wish to express our gratitude to you for all you have done in our behalf during our four years here. We recognize your sincerety as a teacher, your exceptional professional character, and the understanding you have extended to us in all respects.

We, therefore, dedicate this annual to you, Dr. Ross, with our appreciation.

The Class of 1954

Faculty



Ralph F. Weston

President

Our faculty and students are jointly responsible for the official accrediting of our college by the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The members of the class of 1954 have participated in a most effective manner in developing the type of faculty-student relationship which received the special commendation of the official inspectors of the New England organization.

The faculty is confident that the students of the class of 1954 will continue to demonstrate, in their purpose as teachers, the traits of industry and high purpose which have marked their undergraduate work at the State Teachers College at Fitchburg.

Deans

James J. Hammond

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Grace Gummo

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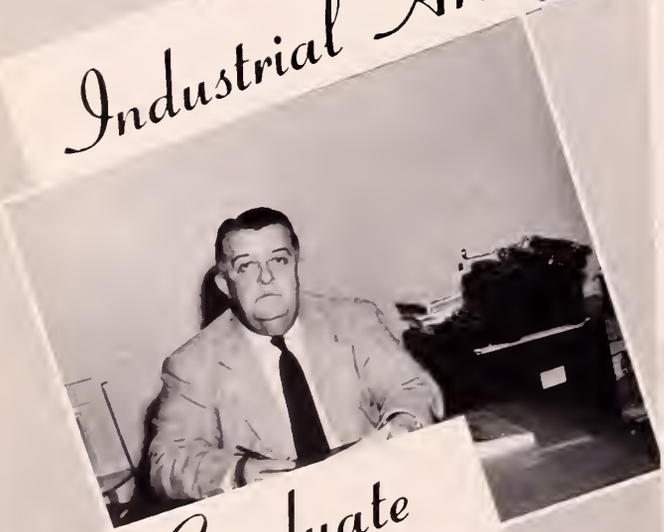

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Graduate

Department Heads

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Music and Art

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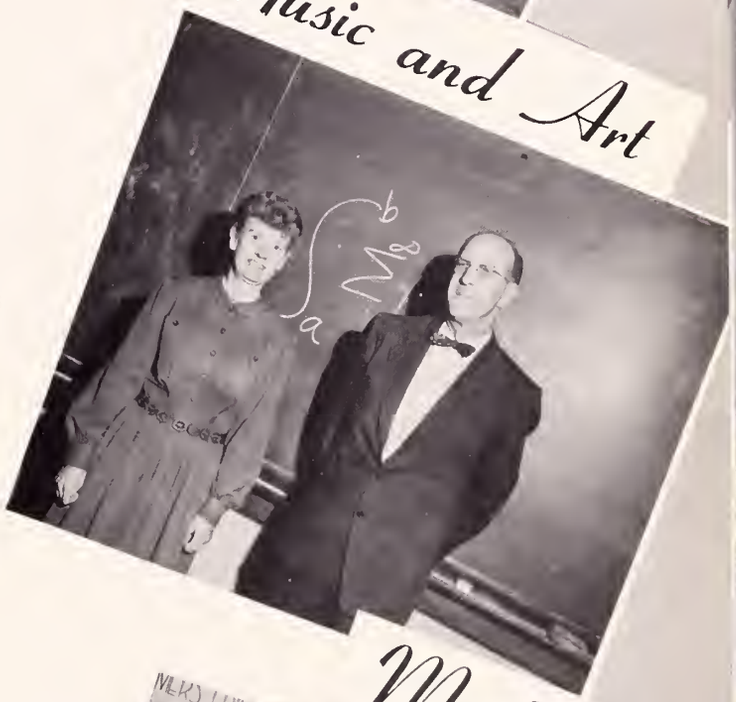

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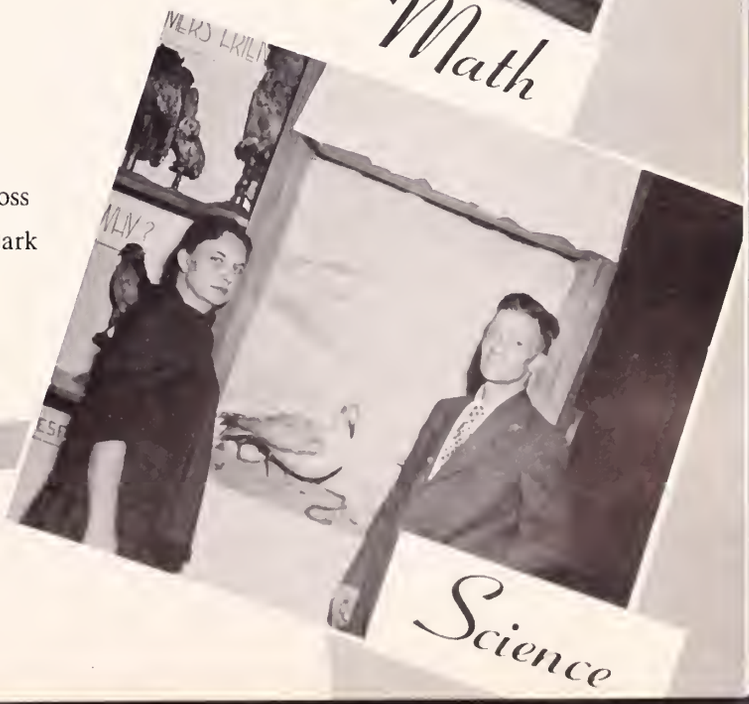

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Dr. Edwin R. Clark

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Graduates

Commencement
Bachelor of Science in Education

PRESIDENT

EDWARD L. SHEEHAN
Industrial Arts
Arlington

"Ed"

"Seriously now" . . . Joe College . . . savoir-faire . . . oriental atmosphere . . . Great White Father . . . Nantucket summers . . . "Shakes" . . . maroon and grey scholarship . . . calamity kid . . . Pres. . . . Phi Delta Phi . . . Student Council . . . Newman Club

Officers

VICE-PRESIDENT

"Connie"

CONSTANCE M. SHAW
Elementary
Fitchburg

"Hi" for everyone . . . loved training . . . a swimmer . . . sparkling eyes . . . square dancing in N. H. . . . open house at Shaw's . . . store of photographs . . . maroon and grey stalwart . . . tremendous summer . . . a worker . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Class secretary . . . Adelphian, Treasurer . . . Saxifrage

"Nance"

NANCY H. PEONTAK
Elementary
Fitchburg

Summer bicycle trips . . . pizza . . . succeeds where others fail . . . a W. A. A. leader . . . year 'round inhabitant of T. C. . . . faithful friend . . . reliable . . . sense of humor . . . warm smile and cheery hello for all . . . sincere in all undertakings . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Student Christian Association . . . Saxifrage.

TREASURER

JAMES HAVERTY Junior High Gardner

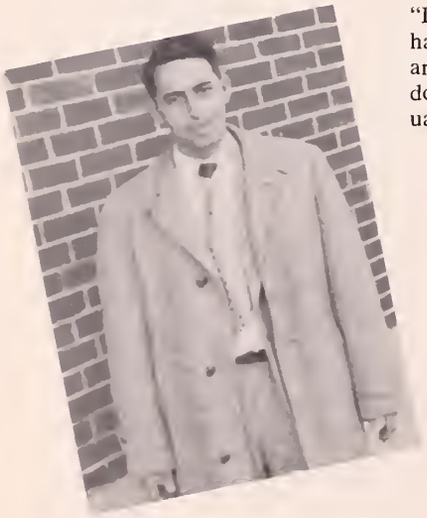
"Jim"

"I'm frail" . . ."Bring your troubles to me" . . . rabid sportsman . . . ace hoopster . . . four year money man . . . memorable historian . . . perfect attendance at parties . . . rare wit and humor . . . Pete Poverty . . . Junior Class Treasurer . . . Newman Club

Our close and pleasant association with the members of the Class of '54 makes it a privilege to extend to you our most cordial good wishes. May you find much satisfaction and joy in your professional careers.

Richard L. Kent

Helen B. Ross



"Twitch"

"Kool-l-l" . . . Leominister prankster . . . "Lay that rifle down" . . . disbeliever in hard work . . . always pleasant . . . quiet and businesslike . . . lover of the out of doors . . . bachelor tendencies . . . casual . . . charge out of life.

RICHARD C. ALLAIN Junior High Leominister

VIRGINIA L. BARNES Elementary Concord

"Ginny"

Demure . . . soft spoken . . . dependable friend . . . ever ready smile . . . optimistic in every situation . . . fan mail . . easy-going manner . . . genuine warmth . . . never lost in a library . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Student Christian Association.

JOYCE P. BAUDREAU

Elementary

Maynard

"Joy"

Ready with a kind word and a helping hand for everyone . . . many talents . . . musical and artistic . . . serious minded . . . congenial manner . . . true friend and willing worker . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Adelphian. Corresponding Secretary . . . Newman Club.

"Chuck"

CHARLES L. BILIONIS Junior High Fitchburg

"If it weren't for the Greeks where would we be?" . . . persuasive personality . . . best "draughtsman" in the profession . . . prolific reader . . . humorous homespun tales . . .Amici . . . Saxifrage Board.

"Bridge anyone" . . . quick wit . . . pleasant sophistication . . . golden tresses . . . knitted suits and Shalimar . . . cheerful, except at 8:25 . . . it's fascinating . . . Harvard weekends . . . rapid narration . . . loves plays . . . Gnothi Seauton . . . Newman Club . . . Saxifrage Board, Business Manager.

"Jan"

JANET E. BLAKE
Junior High
Springfield

"Bob"

ROBERT E. BLOOMFIELD

Industrial Arts

Belmont

Sea-going bellhop . . . Tell me her name and I'll fix you up . . . Greenville slugger . . . fast motorcycles . . . charter member of northeast corner gang . . . Weston's electrical wizard . . . quiet reserved humor . . . frequent visits to Keene . . . sports a fire engine red coupe . . . Student Christian Association.

Quick genuine wit . . . perseverance . . . educated left toe . . . builder of a radio that works . . . cool on the hickories . . . "Goodnight Irene" . . . talented dancer . . . E Cumpari . . . enjoys playing host to Keene boys "let's have a party" . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Newman Club . . . Saxifrage.

"Bob"

ROBERT A. BOMBARD Industrial Arts Worcester

Irish colleen . . . lovable . . . friend to all . . W.A.A. mainstay . . . outstanding athlete . . . cute as can be . . . midnight phone calls . . . red-skin rooter . . . completely carefree . . . loves to sleep . . . sincere in all she says and does . . . a niece and nephew every day . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Newman Club.

"Bren"

MARYLIN A. BRENNAN

Elementary

Pembroke

"Connie"

Optimistic in every situation . . . well versed in all matters . . . natural poise . . . faithful worker . . . the girls' chauffeur . . . noted for dry humor . . . seen at the Enterprise . . . fastidious dress . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Student Christian Association.

CONSTANCE I. BRIGGS

Elementary

Fitchburg

"Curt"

Man of a few words . . . the big toe .. . Model "T" . . . needs no shoulder pads . . . compliment to masculine race . . . exterior Rembrandt . . . many aliases . . . friend of Morpheus . . . Soangetaha . . . Mohawks, Keeper of the Wampum.

CRANE C. BROOKS Industrial Arts Framingham

Smooth complexion . . . curly lashes . . . artistically inclined . . . loves a good time . . . tastefully dressed . . . lover of music . . . "and then again" . . A&P . . "What will we have for trump?" . . . Newman Club.

CHRISTINE L. CALANDRINO

Elementary

Leominster

Pop bottles . . . studies when no one is looking . . . "Just do what the old man tells you" . . . lover of classical music, hill-billy style . . . radio Moscow . . . Jaffrey Chamber of Commerce . . . F.T.C.'s Barney Oldfield . . . sit'n, rock'n and star'n society . . . northeast corner gang . . . Epsilon Pi Tau, Vice-President.

"Pop"

HERBERT H. CROSS Industrial Arts Chester

"Shirl"

SHIRLEY CROWDER BESSLER

Elementary

Springfield

Just because your hair is curly . . . perfect size nine . . . "Dinner at the Spa anyone?" . . . artistic temperament . . . impulsive heart . . . collector of china kittens . . . loves poety . . . beautiful brown eyes . . . Miller Hall prexy ; . . . . . mid-term bride . . . spends spare time in kitchen experimenting . . . Student Christian Association . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Adelphian, Vice-President.

"Dick"

RICHARD S. DARGAN

Junior High

Newtonville

"One of the gang" . . . keen sense of humor . . . calm, cool and collected . . . quiet manner . . . history authority . . . many appropriate puns . . . flat top . . . pantomime artist . . . second-deck alarm clock . . . "Happy get up time" . . . "Feeling poorly" . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Student Council, Treasurer . . . Newman Club . . . Saxifrage.

The strong arm of power . . . stocks, bonds and real estate . . . radar-controlled Studebaker . . . coaching aspirations . . . Vive Il Duce . . . lover of the Wild West . . . Mr. M. A. A. . . . "Some people eat to live, I live to eat" . . . wildly controversial . . . vacation in Jamaica . . . Amici . . . Gaveleer, Treasurer . . . Newman Club . . . Stick.

VINCENT DE NOVELLIS

Industrial Arts

Watertown

"Vinnie"

"Idealist" . . . "Is that not so?" . . . youth enthusiast . . . "Better late than never" . . . big in stature, huge in heart . . . infectious brand of humor . . . true friend . . . as merry as the day is long . . . Amici . . . Student Christian Association.

"Jack"

HAROLD F. DESMOND

Junior High

Westminster

Loves those field trips . . . sincere convictions . . . commuter in name only . . . sharp dresser . . . noble are those who are earnest . . . spiritual leader of trio . . . always with his fish pole . . .capable and dependable . . . Amici . . . Gavaleer, Secretary . . . Newman Club.

"Dippy"

ANTHONY F. DiPIETRO

Junioı High

Fitchburg

"Hi ya" . . . a genuine warmth . . . hard worker . . . naturally curly hair . . . generous spirit . . . "Oh well, look to the future" . . . basketball whiz . . . piano player . . . "Lucky Ole Sun" . . . Newman Club.

"Barbs"

BARBARA A. DUFFY
Elementary
Dorchester

Dean Bolger's girl Friday . . . loves green and aqua . . . twinkle in her eye . . . efficient and practical . . . her candle burns at both ends . . . natural and unpretentious . . . . "What will I wear today?" . . . a willing hand . . . "Whoosh" . . . Sigma Alpha Delta .. . . Class Secretary . . . Student Council . . . Adelphian, President . . . Newman Club.

MAUREEN A. ELDER
Elementary
Springfield

"Maureen"

Curly . . . quiet possessor of a subtle wit . . . softball's Piersall . . . I.A. all the way . . . took his sabbatical at Devens . . . staunch defender of beliefs . . . . Mike's second in command . . . Model A . . . willingly responds . . . Amici . . . Gaveleer, Secretary, President . . . Student Christian Association.

CARL T. ERICKSON

Industrial Arts

Randolph

"Carl"

"Claire"

CLAIRE H. FARQUHAR

Elementary

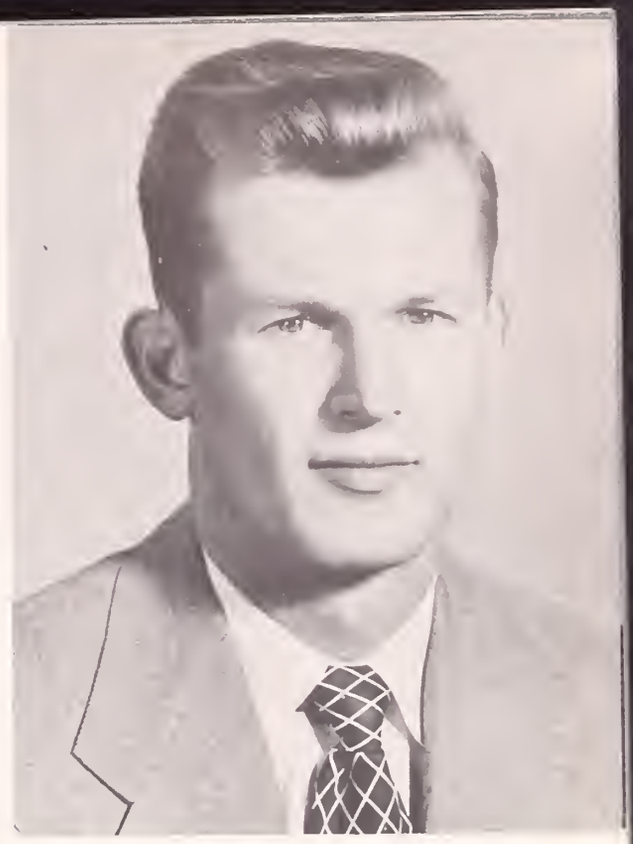
Athol

"Oh, Janie, what am I to do?" . . . share and share alike . . . letters via Uncle Sam . . . effervescent humor . . . only 23 more lesson plans to go . . . tremendous vitality . . . 58 steps to the third floor . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Adelphian, Secretary . . . Newman Club.

JOHN J. FARRELL

Industrial Arts

Fitchburg



Strong individualist . . . ardent sportsman . . . team man in soccer . . . studious and prompt . . . anchors aweigh . . . Buzzin' around . . . coffee at two . . . handy man at home . . . Dewdrop Inn . . . Amici . . . Student Christian Association.

"Jack"

"Rick"

RICHARD J. FERRIS

Junior High

Fitchburg

"So tired I can't see straight" . . . natural born leader and organizer . . . methodical thinker . . . "The Old Salt" . . . diplomatic in all endeavors . . . two teachers in the family . . . extreme hospitality . . . reliable in every situation . . . all around good fellow . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Class President . . . Student Council . . . Saxifrage, Editor . . . Student Christian Association.

NORMAN H. FINCK
Industrial Arts
Turners Falls

"Norm"

"Let's go to Boston" . . .
shuffling along . . . Hill-topper . . .
flies a Ford . . . the dark room . . .
Turner's (Falls) . . . connoisseur of fine food . . . a man of silent steel . . . Wheaties for Christmas . . . Amici . . . Student Christian Association.

"Ken"

KENNETH E. FITZGERALD
Industrial Arts
Weymouth

T. C.'s taxi . . . hot-rod mechanic . . . shop wizard . . . coaches chief advisor . . . 55 yard goal . . . weakness for blondes . . . "anyone for Roy's?" . . . flawless abode . . . mildly independent . . . 2:10 A.M. . . Amici . . . Gaveleer, Corresponding Secretary . . . Student Christian Association . . . Saxifrage Board.

Gay and carefree . . . gales of laughter . . . master of creative design . . . "Let's go to the Spa for coffee" . . . an ear for music . . . party lover . . . afternoon siestas . . . Fidus Achates . . . Philodemic, Treasurer . . . Newman Club . . . Cheerleader.

"Dottie"

DOROTHEA M. FORTSCH

Elementary

Hatfield

"Read any good books lately" . . . transfer from Clark . . . lover of plays . . . nine o'clock coffee hour . . . "When's the next party?" . . . the Worcester Special . . . philosophic in his ideas . . . new mid-term editor . . . acquired "Sir" at T.C.J.H.S. . . . Stick.

NORMAN V. GALLAGHER

Junior High

West Boylston

"Norm"

Sparkling eyes . . . flirtatious walk . . . borrowers and lenders, incorporated . . . dependable . . . sweet sophistication . . . wicked Charleston . . . sneakers and skirts . . . grade A teacher . . . perfectionist . . . mind of her own . . . Fidus Achates . . . Newman Club . . . Saxifrage Board

"Janie"

JANE L. GIANNONI Junior High Arlington

Day Street capitalist . . . well versed . . . "Come to the book store" . . . example of businessman and father . . . deep thinker . . . dramatics his greatest . . . late hours and filled Ash Tray . . . conservative in his ways . . . many talents . . . Amici . . . Class Treasurer . . . Newman Club . . . Stick.

"Pete"

PETER A. GINNITY
Junior High
Fitchburg

ROBERT GOODWIN

Junior High

Norwood

Man about town . . . ardent sports fan . . . "Takes two to Tango" . . . math whiz . . . looks to the brighter side . . . hunting and fishing enthusiast . . . sensibly strong . . . fancy for Fords . . . Soangetaha . . . Newman Club.

LILA HENDRIKSON KEATING Elementary Ashburnham

Knit one, purl two . . . of the whist crew regulars . . . domestic tendencies . . . "Oh heavens" . . . individualist . . . music, food for the soul . . . an answer for everyone . . . "Did you finish reading your assignment?" . . . Student Christian Association.

Heart of gold . . . hardest worker . . . authority on Diesels . . . "Pal" . . . Saturday night beano . . . Dillon's best . . . clam and corn chef . . . Casey Jones of the highways . . . 8:35 punctuality . . . candid camera . . ."Now Frank". . . Soangetaha. . Saxifrage.

FRANCIS J. HOLAHAN

Industrial Arts

Medford

"Frank"

"Jim"

JAMES E. HORGAN

Junior High

Fitchburg

"Huh?" . . . flies a convertible . . . try anything once . . . whimsically unpredictable . . . coaching aspirant . . . interesting outlook . . . just meets English deadlines.

Vim, vigor, and vitality . . . caught with the "goodies" . . . legal advisor . . . Dillon veteran . . . history enthusiast . . . ready smile . . . always with "Lizzie" . . . ardent advocate of four day week . . . Amici . . . Newman Club.

GEORGE H. HOWARD

Junior High

Otter River

"George"

ADELAIDE S. HURST

Junior High

Leominister

"Addie"

Always tactful . . . extensive reader . . . she can cook, too . . . in search for the reality of things . . . army wife . . . found in one I. A. shop . . . noon-time Spa-er . . . "Is it True?" . . . Stick, Editor.

"Ed"

Affable . . . fondness for science . . . expressive eyes . . . Stop and Shop . . . straight forwardness . . . pleasant word for all . . . spectator sports . . . easy going manner . . . friendly . . . Phi Delta Pi.

EDWARD J. KEAVENY Junior High Fitchburg

Easy to know . . . contentment personified . . . unequaled in sports officiating . . . always on the go . . . sincere, tolerant, and consistent . . . businesslike in academic pursuits . . . worthy ambitions . . . "Just three more times around" . . . Student Christian Association.

"Chuck"

CHARLES T. KIMBALL
Junior High
Fitchburg

"Anyone for whist?" . . . tremendous knowledge of government . . . deep humor . . . swimming instructor . . . loves to dance . . . "Try anything once" . . . prodigious reader . . . "I love you all!"

"Kim"

JEAN A. KIMBALL Junior High Athol

ELIZABETH A. LaFLAME Elementary Leominister

Jack of all trades . . . "Let's harmonize" . . . always ready with a helping hand . . . efficiency plus . . . boundless enthusiasm . . . W.A.A. all the way . . . always an idea for any occasion . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Class Vice-President . . . Student Council, President . . . Newman Club.

Betty

I.A. was too big" . . . Second deck ambassador . . . at home on the basketball court . . . well groomed . . . has creative ability . . . potential 2nd looey . . . debonair . . . Soangetaha . . . Student Council . . . Newman Club . . . Saxifrage.

"Bob"

ROBERT L. LAFLAMME

Worcester

Junior High

"Art"

"Dorm Daddy" . . . easy going friendliness . . . c'est si bon . . . scholar . . . National Bank of Palmer Hall . . . systematic . . . "Quiet Please" . . . sincerity . . . those summers at Hyannis . . . "Uncle Remus" . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Esoteric, Secretary . . . Newman Club.

ARTHUR G. LAFRENIER

Junior High

South Ashburnham

Warm sense of humor . . . "You can say that again" . . . the 1953 Chevie . . . reads extensively . . . the semi-classical music lover . . . plans involve wedding bells and satin next summer . . . Newman Club.

"Jackie"

JACQUELINE K. LARSON

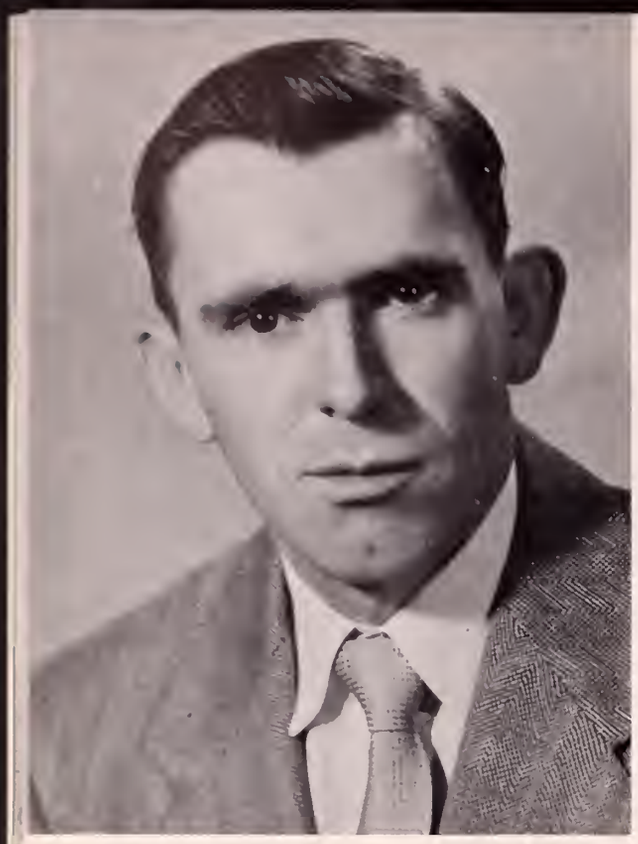
Elementary

Otter River

JOSEPH P. LAVIN Junior High Leominister

"That old gang of mine" . . . subtle wit . . . member of the whist quartet . . . easy going . . . the smiling Irishman . . . intramural hoopster . . . piano music lover . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Newman Club . . . Stick.

Joe



"When did you first notice it?" . . . still waters run deep . . . Haverhill flash . . . practical . . . family man . . . anchor's aweigh . . . congenial and studious . . . Newman Club.

JAMES R. LEGAULT

Junior High

Haverhill

"Jim"

Green eyes . . . "You hate me" . . . practical and conscientious worker . . . inquisitive nature . . . hand knitted socks and sweaters . . . "Fourth for whist" . . . calm, cool and collected . . . collector of items for Christmas village . . . Newman Club.

LORRAINE T. LEMIRE

Elementary

Leominster

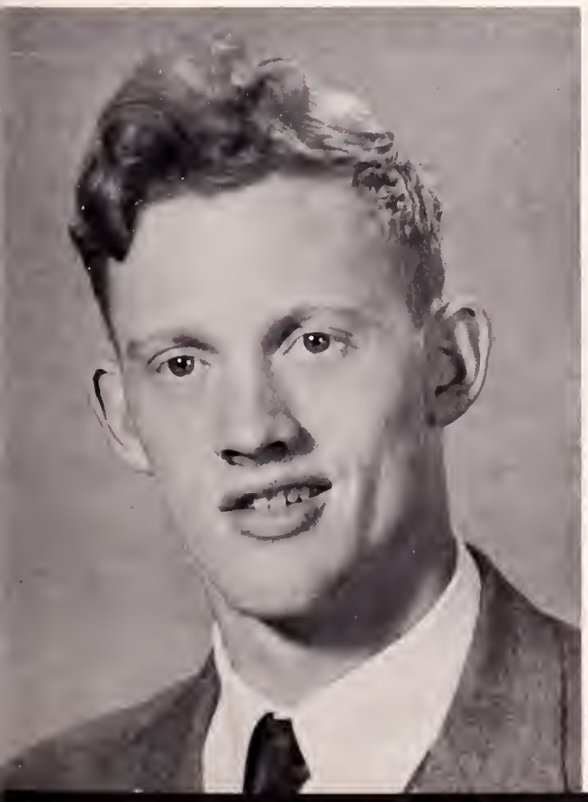
LORRAINE M. LYONNAISE

Elementary

Fitchburg

"Chickie"

Smooth dancer . . . sophisticated wardrobe . . . shoes of every color . . . top-notch teacher . . . friendly to all . . . neat and attractive in appearance . . . many male admirers . . . Gnothi Seauton . . . Newman Club.



ROBERT L. LITTLEFIELD

Junior High

Gardner

"Bob"

Hard working commuter . . . carrot-top . . . card shark . . . sense of humor . . . U. of M. transfer . . . knowledge of mathematics . . . individualist . . . serious and efficient . . . homespun philosophy . . . Amici.

"Let's make it no trump" . . . mail monopoly . . . our perfectionist . . . collects the Bride magazines . . . avid I.A. supporter . . . Mr. Hammond's capable secretary . . . "Remember Jan - Judy's party?" . . . Gnothi Seauton . . . Tokalon, President . . . Student Christian Association . . . Saxifrage Board.

JUDITH C. MANN

Elementary

Hampden

"Judy"

Extemporaneous wit . . . likes "Gin" . . . clever hoop artist . . . capable leader . . . zest for fun . . . precise thinker . . . tempermental transportation . . . carefree . . . OJ's left hand man . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Esoteric, President, Treasurer . . . Newman Club . . . Stick . . . Saxifrage.

"Bill"

WILLIAM E. MANNION

Junior High

Fall River

"Dear Ruth" . . . basketball coach . . . everybody's friend . . . Highland jaunt . . . quiet but forceful . . . pleasing personality . . . stout-hearted man . . . Shining Light T.C.J.H.S. . . sportsmanship guaranteed . . . TV parties . . . Soangetaha . . . Newman Club.

"Bill"

WILLIAM E. MATTE

Industrial Arts

Fall River

"Mac"

JUNE M. McGARRY

Elementary

Holyoke

"Pizza anyone?" . . . Friendly to all . . . cameras Flashbulbs . . . Pardon! diligent and conscientious . . . "That's the way the ball bounces" . . . peruser of government . . . night before seminar finals . . . "I bid three diamonds" . . . Student Council . . . Newman Club.

Sophomore starter but made up for lost time . . . warmth and wit . . . and oh how she could harmonize . . . the life of a trainer . . . pussy foots the piano keys . . . the vogue type . . . party, party . . . "I can't get serious" . . . the knowing smile . . . Gnothi Seauton . . . ToKalon, Treasurer . . . Newman Club . . . Stick.

ELIZABETH A. McGOVERN

Elementary

Worcester

"Betty"

RICHARD L. McGUIRE Industrial Arts Scituate

"Mac"

One of the departed gang . . . three-tone cherry convertible . . . owns the dorm's bus . . . "Scoop" . . . easy tempo . . . conservative ways . . . army M P's . . Manila experiences . . . former week-end trips to Chicopee . . . Amici . . . Gaveleer, Vice-President . . . Student Christian Association . . . Stick.

"Swish" . . . efficiency plus . . . ambitious and methodical . . . Burbank . . . modern art ideas . . . Groton's top man . . . Norman Nesbitt . . . biggest mail box at T. C. . . . firm believer in the right . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Epsilon Pi Tau . . . Newman Club, President . . . Stick.

"Norm"

NORMAN L. METHOT

Industrial Arts

Fall River

"Mezz"

ALBERT R. MEZZANOTTI

Industrial Arts

Worcester

Advocate of modern art . . . strong individualist . . . "Mr. Chairman" . . . I. A. conscious . . . dependable home craftsman . . . personable . . . fabulous apartment with Elaine . . . knows what he wants . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Epsilon Pi Tau. Treasurer . . . Stick.

RUTH T. MILLER

Elementary

Winchendon

"Ruthie"

"Fourth for bridge" . . . loved that second grade . . . subtle humor . . . that five minute breakfast rush . . . "Check my mailbox" . . . found two careers at T. C. . . . Student Christian Association.

DONALD C. MILLER Industrial Arts Winchendon

"Don"

"Home on the Cape" . . . sailing enthusiast . . . all I. A. . . . determined in his undertakings . . . Korean vet . . . pianist personified . . . enjoys the finer things of life . . . Student Christian Association.

Priceless gems . . . the only male member of the girls' dorm . . . T. C.'s psychologist without a couch . . . tremendous thinker . . . "Cunning" . . . emphatic in his opinions . . . one of the best . . . varied interests . . . top-notch teacher . . . asset to any activity . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Newman Club.

"Bob"

ROBERT MOFFETTE Industrial Arts Danvers

MARY T. MURPHY Elementary Fall River

Impeccably neat . . . smooth complexion . . . exemplifies what the well dressed college girl should wear . . . "What'll I tell the kiddies today?" . . . a new dress for every occasion . . . delightful to know . . . Gnothi Seauton . . . Tokalon, Secretary . . . Newman Club.

"Murph"

Cartoon artist . . . dry, subtle humor . . . "Barbershop Quartet" . . . capable organizer . . . quiet efficiency . . . class day stalwart . . . "Hubby" . . . regular guy . . . untiring T. C. worker . . . Class President . . . Stick.

ROBERT I. MURPHY

Junior High

Athol

"Bob"

"Teresa"

PHYLLIS A. NOVAK

Elementary

Gardner

The girl with savoir-faire . . . ready, rugged, and radical . . . flying knitting needles that hypnotize . . . sign language . . . Christmas in Michigan . . . lesson plan craze . . . many admirers . . . Gnothi Seauton . . . ToKalon, Vice-president . . . Newman Club . . . Saxifrage Board .

"Okie"

Addition to any group . . . Connoisseur of people . . . always ready to agree, especially to a party . . . takes the wind out of anybody's sails . . . always there . . . limpy . . . "all around Joe" . . . level headed . . . well formed opinions . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Newman Club.

PAUL V. O'CONNELL

Industrial Arts

Medford

MARY A. O'KEEFE Elementary Leominster

"Mary"

Sweet 'n' petite . . . "I'll beat you up" . . . delightful sense of humor . . . our own Einstein . . . "Heah" . . . tremendous bundle of energy . . . first-rate teacher . . . "Lead on MacDuff"

Punctuality personified . . . part of the trio . . . unknown trip to Boston . . . Sports writer for Telegram . . . loves a good laugh . . . "Cheers" . . . have one on me . . . progressive outlook . . . staunch debater . . . Amici . . . Newman Club.

FRED J. O'ROURKE

Junior High

Fitchburg

"Jerry"

"Irj"

IRJA E. PALOJARVI

Elementary

Gardner

From the halls of Montezuma . . . music lover . . . "By the Sea" . . . full of fun . . . Dillonite . . . what's trump? . . . . . thoughtful . . . Phyl's pal . . . industrious worker . . . Gnothi Seauton . . . Student Christian Association.

Commuter's pride and joy . . . impulsive manner . . . "got a match?" . . . extra-curricular activities a specialty . . . "Oh well, it was a good party" . . . outstanding athlete . . . suite "J" visitor . . . with dimples . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Class Vice-President . . . Student Council . . . Student Christian Association

SECRETARY

"Carol"

CAROL LYNCH
Elementary
Leominister

DONALD PIERMARINI Junior High Leominster

Friendly nature . . . quiet wisdom . . . drives the green hornet . . . dry wit . . . tour of Asia . . . collector of old and rare firearms . . . "Mugsy" . . . "I'm running this show" . . . Bruce, a pride and joy . . . degree in culinary arts . . . family man . . . Amici.

"Don"

JAMES F. PLUNKETT

Industrial Arts

Worcester

"Jim"

Loves to hoop 'em . . . ready smile . . . cliff dweller . . . party tenor . . . seconds any suggestion to "live it up" . . . transfer from St. Michael's . . . "Diamond Jim" . . . Whalom Park capitalist . . . does to cars what Liszt did to pianos . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Newman Club.

BERNARD C. POLLOCK Junior High Worcester

"Bernie"

"Smiley" . . . second deck ambassador . . . Mississippi Gambler . . . wake me at 10:15 . . . midnight phone calls . . . so cheerful in the morning . . . straight forwardness . . . the debaters' asset . . . hoopster . . . "Smudge" . . . Soangetaha . . . Mohawk Club. Keeper of the Wampum . . . Newman Club.

Dry humorist . . . the filing system kid . . . house boat designer . . . electrical wizard . . . African Queen . . . man behind the scenes . . . "Can you spare a buck?" . . . reserved yet always willing . . . kitchen wonder . . . Amici . . . Student Christian Association.

"Ronnie"

RONALD S. PREBLE Industrial Arts Winchester

BARBARA E. PRIEST
Elementary
Maynard

Ambition to travel . . . inventive qualities . . . philosophy "major" . . . candid nature . . . humorous insight . . . flashing smile . . . lady chauffeur . . . southpaw . . . "Better days are coming" . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Adelphian, Vice-President, Treasurer . . . Student Christian Association.

"Barb"

Christmas-tree decorator . . . pigskin capers on the forbidden grass . . . everybody's buddy . . . "When Irish eyes are smiling!" . . . all 'round athlete . . . even disposition . . . tremendous worker . . . "My seventh graders could do better" . . . The Good Samaritan . . . Soangetaha . . . Mohawk Club, Scribe . . . Newman Club, Treasurer.

NELSON REBELLO

Industrial Arts

Taunton

"Nellie"

DOROTHY A. ROBUS

Elementary

Maynard

"Dotty"

Contagious laughter . . . genial sense of humor . . . home town gal . . . T. C.'s Esther Williams . . . excitable . . . earnest friend . . . Hallowe'en games . . . "Really!" . . . genuine enthusiasm . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Student Christian Association.

"Marion"

MARION A. RODERICK

Elementary

New Bedford

Lark of Miller Hall . . . delightfully naive . . . gracious and charming . . . stunningly dressed . . . a kind word for all . . . expressive eyes . . . graceful dancing partner . . . "What's it like here weekends?" . . . Gnothi Seauton . . . Class Vice-President . . . Newman Club.

ANTONIA E. SMITH

Elementary

Fitchburg

"Toni"

"Hi ya doll!" . . . good things come in small packages . . . serious minded . . . card player . . . great admirer of Shakespeare . . . that warm glow . . . those countless hand-knitted sweaters . . . "Thanks bunches".

SHIRLEY M. SPIRES

Elementary

Fitchburg

Distinguished commuter . . . librarian . . . former Burbank hiller . . . quiet but persevering nature . . . dancing, a favorite . . . lives right around the corner . . . good natured . . . girlish smile . . . Where there's music, there's Shirl . . . Fidus Achates.

"Shirl"

"Norm"

NORMAN R. SWICKER

Industrial Arts

Worcester

Serious minded . . . competent man on the soccer field . . . many and varied interests . . . final year dorm student . . . a way of getting things done . . . rugged . . . off campus activities . . . hunting and skiing fan . . . Amici . . . Student Christian Association.

CHARLES S. THOMAS

Junior High

Leominster

Class composer . . . always a helping hand . . . terrific teacher . . . 54's musical claim to fame . . . serious student . . . steadying influence . . . "White Wings" . . . sincere . . . "Pussy and I" . . . "I'll see if I have time" . . . "My word" . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Student Christian Association.

"Charlie"

FRANCIS J. TRAINOR

Industrial Arts

Worcester

Casual manner and easy--going humor . . . many trips to Boston . . . stars on both the court and diamond . . . reputable boxer . . . Sammy's little electrician . . . flashes of genius . . . independent . . . interested in the finer arts . . . will never receive a ticket for speeding . . . Amici . . . Newman Club.

EUGENE R. TROMBLY
Industrial Arts
Lenox

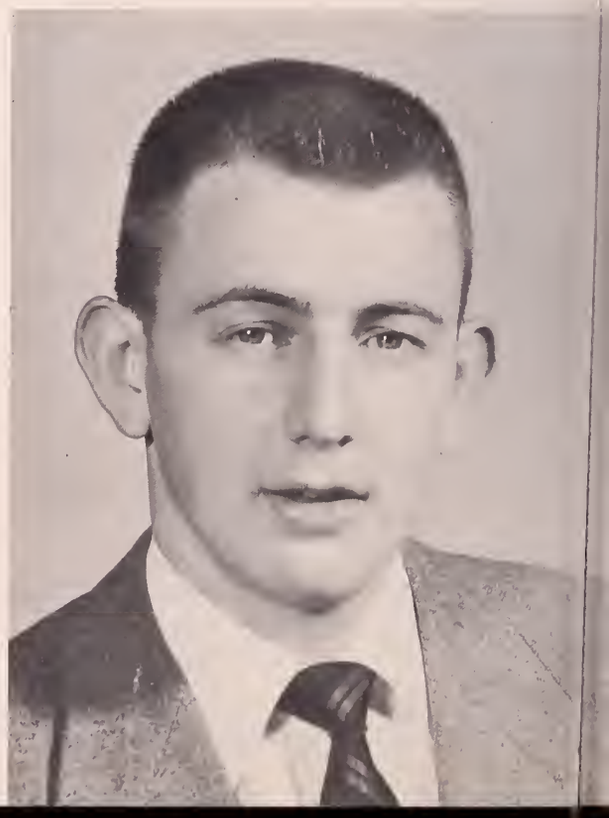
"Gene"

"Where's our balloon?" . . . Berkshire twang . . . cool on the hickories . . . Jaffrey bound . . . amusingly sarcastic . . . second deck lounge . . . generous nature . . . "Anyone for tea?" . . . heavenly bodies . . . little man, big heart . . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Epsilon Pi Tau, President. Saxifrage Board .

Ad lib artist . . . explicit diction . . . many friends . . . "Whispering Smith" . . . smooth but slow talker . . . man about town . . . basically serious and conscientious . . . our own politician . . . cool business man . . . occasionally reduces things from chaos to mere confusion . . Phi Delta Pi . . . Newman Club

"Dick"

RICHARD F. TUCKER
Industrial Arts
Fitchburg



ALICE TURCOTTE

Elementary

Granby

Pride of the second grade . . . argyles on four needles . . . mainstay of the dining hall . . . brimming scrap-book . . . Mohawk supporter . . . glee club enthusiast nature lover . . . accordion player . . . duplicate car keys . . . Newman Club.

"Al"

FRANCIS P. VISOKAS Industrial Arts Worcester

"Frank"

Merc convertible . . . dynatones . . . loves hard work . . . power mechanic joy rides . . . aero dynamics a specialty . . . urge to travel . . . cover up man . . . those trips from Worcester . . . counts his pennies . . . neat and conservative . . . Amici.

PAUL J. WALSH

Industrial Arts

Roslindale

"Paul"

Dependable . . . owns the twin sweater . . . photography, a hobby? . . . Sam's little helper . . . makes it back for week-ends . . . tall and silent . . . T. C.'s hot rod mechanic . . . roller skating advocate . . . money lender . . . Soangetaha . . . Mohawk, Scribe . . . Newman Club.

Junior politician . . . outdoorsman . . . T. C. J. H. S. fan club . . . understudy to drama . . . interesting profile . . . loves a good time . . . "Let's just say somebody goofed" . . . quiet on the surface . . . auto racing follower . . . Amici.

"Bruce"

BRUCE E. WELLS

Junior High

Worcester

Efficiency plus in her chosen profession . . . a whiz at all sports . . . perky as her nickname . . . overwhelmingly enthusiastic . . . an asset to any group . . . pleasing smile . . . characteristic tilt of her head . . . card shark . . . avid knitter . . . collects newspaper clippings . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Student Christian Association . . . Glee Club.

"Trudy"

Gertrude L. Bennett, Nursing Education
Fall River

Pauline Shanahan Byrne

Nursing Education

Littletown

"Polly"

Friend to all . . . newlywed . . . prolific lecturer on Bermuda . . . taxi to the hill . . . expressive brown eyes . . . always willing to lend a helping hand . . . refreshing personality . . . sincere . . . eager to learn . . . outstanding housekeeper . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Newman Club.

An ever-ready smile . . . keen sense of the dramatic . . . conscientious . . . industrious . . . sincere friend . . . good hostess . . . sociable nature . . . fabulous letter writer . . . dimples . . . pensive moods . . . Newman Club.

"Dwyn"

Mary D. Costigan, Nursing Education
Amesbury

Joanne H. Davis, Nursing Education
Rockland

Sparkles at sports . . . wanders merrily from the aesthetic to the Bohemian . . . vivacious . . . artistic talents . . . industrious knitter . . . loves winter vacations . . . adaptable . . . our cutest butterfly . . . staunch determination . . . prolific reader . . . Student Christian Association . . . Dramatic Club.

Fun to be with . . . hearty laugh . . . always talkative . . . always obliging . . . good natured . . . definite interest in New York State . . . flying low . . . behind the wheel . . . many assets . . . down-to-earth qualities . . . Student Christian Association.

"Jan"

Janice Dewitt, Nursing Education
Gardner, New York

Marjorie H. Gleed, Nursing Education
Haverhill

"Midge"

A spitfire with homemaking tendencies . . . generous . . . talented seamstress . . . sings unsung notes . . . blushes like a summer rose any season of the year . . . femininity ever with a boyish bob . . . stylishly snappy dresser . . . loyal friend . . . an asset to the profession . . . Burbank's cover-girl . . . Student Christian Association . . . Saxifrage.

Marion E. Hugo, Nursing Education

Ashby

Serene and sincere . . . earnest in her work . . . studious . . . accomplished pianist . . . fine sense of humor . . . natural and wholesome beauty . . . industrious and persevering . . . capable and likable nurse . . . thoughtful and dependable . . . interest in others . . . Glee Club.

"Marion"

Elizabeth A. Kitsuda, Nursing Education
Anchorage, Alaska

"Betty"

Cute as a button . . . energetic . . . traveler . . . makes friends readily . . . a fine mind . . . appreciation of life's humorous moments . . . lives life to the fullest . . . trips the light fantastic with ease . . . inherent tennis talent . . . varied social life . . . Fidus Achates . . . Student Christian Association . . . Glee Club.

"Lo-e"

Amazing laugh . . . musical talent . . . flash of lightning on the basketball court . . . charming nature . . . full of rascality . . . diligent embroiderer . . . party enthusiast . . . sympathetic friend . . . night duty her specialty? . . . "perfect" card player . . . Fidus Achates . . . Student Christian Association.

Loisanne Lovell, Nursing Education
Hanover

Jane F. Nugent, Nursing Education
Milford

"Janie"

Thoughtful . . . capable and responsible . . . a fine sense of humor . . . original and clever . . . active leader of her class . . . extremely fashionable . . . ardent bicyclist . . . always finishes what she starts . . . eventually poised . . . Sigma Alpha Delta . . . Newman Club

Patricia Zanio Roberts, Nursing Education
Kenosha, Wisconsin

Happily married . . . learning to be domestic . . . fine mind . . . winning personality . . . sparkling smile . . . offers encouragement to classmates . . . interesting conversationalist . . . loyal to friends . . . industrious . . . Fidus Achates . . . Student Christian Association.

"Pat"

Janet M. Van Hazings, Nursing Education
Kenosha, Wisconsin

"Jan"

A mid-westerner . . . keen mind . . . persevering . . . loves the out-of-doors . . . loyal . . . fine ability to comprehend the abstract . . . highly capable . . . square dance enthusiast . . . enjoys country-style activities . . . Student Christian Association.

ROLAND F. FARQUHAR

In Memoriam

Training

THE
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Language
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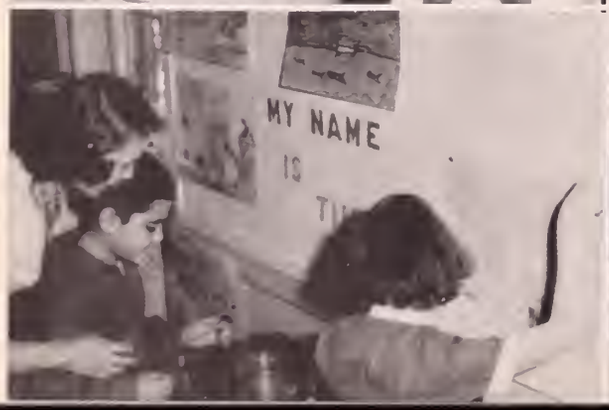
Junior High

AVE A GOOD TIME


MY NAME

Feature

Sept. 9 Last half of class begins eighteen long weeks of motivation, individual differences, units, lesson plans, and registers . . . Training!

Sept. 11 Freshman week-end, physicals, "Ham and Eggs," registration . . . and that Friday night dance where no one dances!

Sept. 14 Starry-eyed Freshmen attend their first college classes . . . oh, to be in their shoes!

Sept. 15 Classes begin for the lucky half of the seniors.

Sept. 16 Beanies appear . . . front walk off-limits to Frosh.

Sept. 22 Soccer team in full uniform put up goal posts under the able direction of "Tex."

Sept. 28 Senior class meeting . . . 60 attend . . . largest attendance in years.

Sept. 29 62 dorm girls take lates.

Sept. 30 62 dorm girls wish they hadn't.

Oct. 9 Small crowd sees first soccer game at home . . . F.T.C. clobbers Durfee, 6-0.

Oct. 16 First loss to Bridgewater in two years dealt out by the Falcons . . . many people note improving school spirit.

Oct. 23 Massachusetts Teachers Colleges meet here for a conference . . . Numerous construction activities make campus look like a tornado hit it . . . Ah, such is life!

Oct. 29 F.T.C. loses championship game to Keene in the driving rain . . . Soccer season ends with 4 wins, 3 losses and one tie.

Oct. 30 Hollowe'en Dance held at Saima Hall . . . first all school function of the year . . . good turn out.

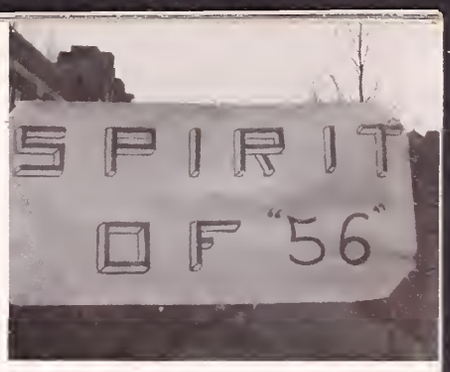
Nov. 6 First snowfall of the year . . . Many ski enthusiasts get gear in order expecting a real old fashioned winter . . . (incidentally, the next appreciable snow fell during the second week of January.)

Nov. 9 Juniors edge seniors, 1-0 in inter-class soccer . . . confetti, streamers, band, shows the spirit of both sides . . . if only this type of enthusiasm were shown at varsity contests.

Nov. 13 Trainees switch assignments . . . now in the home stretch.

Nov. 15 Several seniors enjoy a harmless Sunday afternoon's exercise playing football on the front campus . . . Several underclassmen join in the fun.

Nov. 16 The same five seniors pay for their grave crime against society by spending five nights in solitary confinement.



Nov. 19 Tug-of-war . . . Freshmen defeat sophomores . . . parades up and down the front walk . . . Spirit of '56 . . . The "Hungry Five" make their formal debut . . . Beanies disappear from view.

Nov. 20 Freshman Reception at City Hall . . . dance a big success, despite the shortage of paper cups.

Nov. 25 Thanksgiving recess . . . Trainees give thanks for two days respite from the wars.

Dec. 1 Fun-Nite . . . typifies training . . . which twin wears the glasses?

Dec. 4 Basketball season opens with thrilling win over R.I.C.E. . . . Placards, a band, and a capacity crowd inspired team to victory.

Dec. 5 Christmas Dance . . . cleverly arranged to conflict with the basketball game so that the athletes can't go.

Dec. 9 Cheerleaders make debut.

Dec. 10 Dorm Christmas parties . . . anonymous phone call!

Dec. 11 Most of the school leaves for vacation . . . trainees remain behind.

Dec. 17 Tremendous upset over Clark . . . Everyone would have been proud of the teams performance.

Dec. 17 Congratulations are in order for Mr. Weston, our new "Pres.".

Dec. 23 Trainees finally get out for Christmas.

Jan. 4 Everyone returns . . . many new rings flashed . . . now begins four hectic weeks in which everyone tries to do a semester's work.

Jan. 13 Basketeers notch third win.

Jan. 25 Finals begin . . . Many students regret semester of wasted time.

Jan. 29 Seniors celebrate end of training.

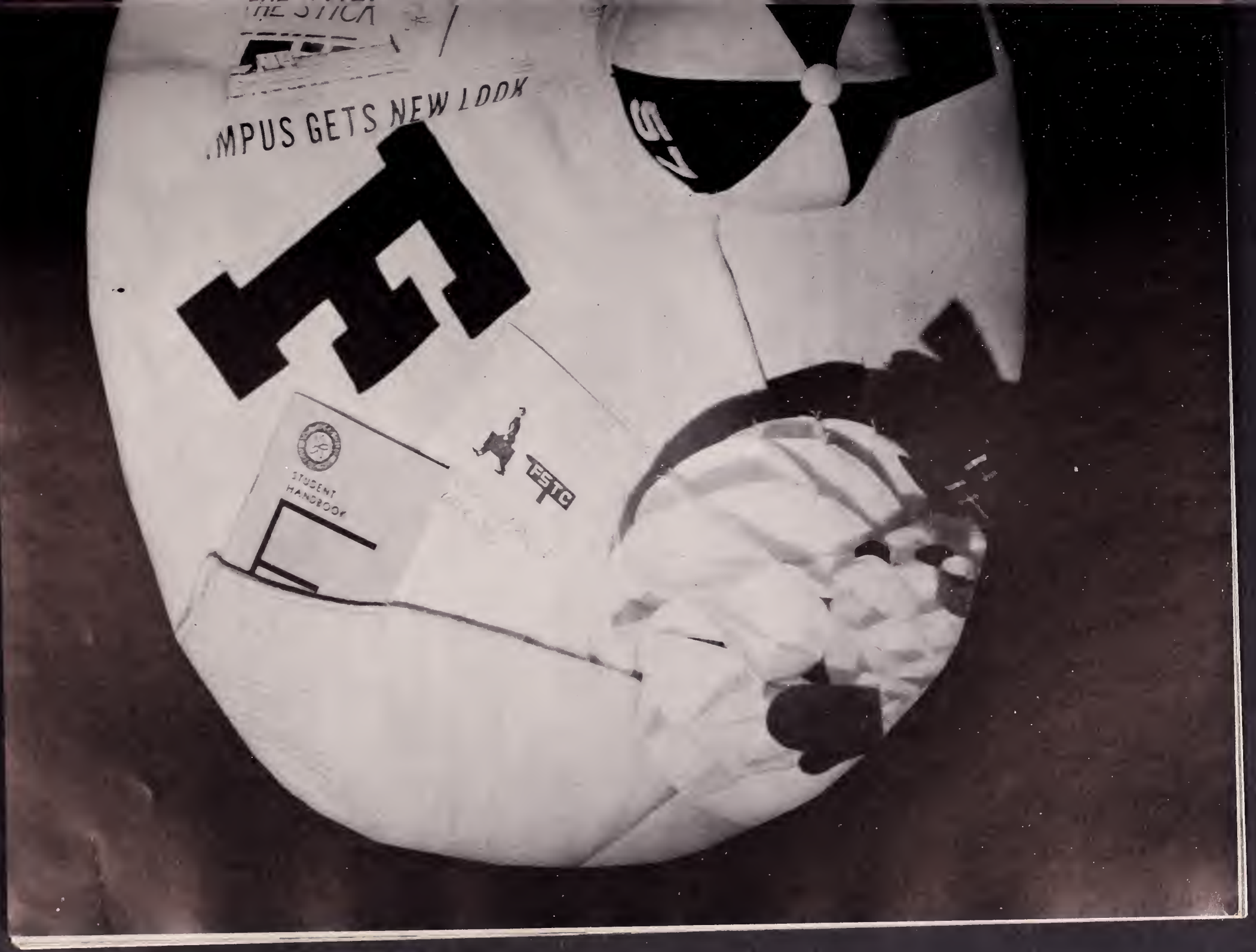
Feb. 2 New semester . . . general crackdown . . . more term papers . . . weekly quizzes . . . Gee Whiz, and our last semester!

Feb. 13 Carnival Ball . . . Freshmen do a terrific job . . . Boy, was it cold! . . . Maureen and Nellie crowned.

Feb. 14 Carnival week-end . . . no snow and a temperature below zero . . . splendid coordination by the sophomores.

Feb. 15 Philos take us to the "Roaring Twenties" with their Flicks.

Undergraduates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Secretary: Patricia Manganiello
Treasurer: James Bachman

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Secretary: Helen Byrne
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OF 1956

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Student Coop

The purpose of this association shall be to regulate all matters pertaining to student life which do not come within the jurisdiction of the faculty; to further in every way the spirit of unity, cooperation, and loyalty among the students of our college; to increase their sense of responsibility, toward one another; and to be a medium by which the social and cultural standards of the college may be maintained on a high plane.

President: Elizabeth H. LaFlame
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Stick

The purpose of this publication is to encourage intelligent student opinion, serve as a house organ for the college, act as a record of school achievement, create better school spirit, and to develop individual ability.

Adelaide Hurst
Joan Hannon
Co-Editors

They have general jurisdiction over the study hour regulation and the dormitory social program.

President: Shirley Crowder Bessler
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Junior Representative: Elizabeth Bachiochi
Sophomore Representative: Barbara Knowlton
Freshman Representative: Edna Lavezzo

Miller Hall

Palmer Hall

. . . and assist in so directing dormitory affairs that the study, recreational and social needs of the students are agreeably met.

President: Vincent De Novellis
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Commuting Men's Association

These boards have charge of the matters which affect the comfort and welfare of their members, dealing with the needs of the men and women who do not live in the dormitory.

Commuting Men

President: David Murphy
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Secretary: Peter Michaels
Treasurer: Thomas McMurray

Commuting Women

President: Bertha Grimes
Vice-President: Nancy Peontak
Senior Representatives: Joyce Baudreau, Claire Farquhar
Junior Representatives: Martha Fougstedt, Ethel McKellick
Sophomore Representatives: Edwina Blazijewski, Shirley Waite

Commuting Women's Association

Glee Club

For students especially interested in music the Glee Club affords opportunity for growth in music appreciation and for the enjoyment that comes from group singing through the study and performance of choral music.

President: Arthur La Frenier
Vice-President: Ethel McKellick
Secretary: Marian Roderick
Treasurer: Lawrence Foley
Librarians: Shirley Spires, Helen Welsh

For those whose interest is dramatics, this club affords opportunity not only for learning but for actual participation in acting, selecting, managing, directing, coaching, and staging plays.

Drama

President: Peter Ginnity
Vice-President: Paul Marcoux
Secretary: Rita Scola
Treasurer: Elizabeth Sexton
Publicity: Robert Iosue, Joyce Peters

For those who enjoy the out of doors.

President: Carol F. Marchessault
Secretary: Elizabeth Murphy

Outing Club

President: Curtis Brooks
Vice-President: Paul Ahern
Secretary: Vincent De Novellis
Treasurer: Nelson Rebello

The enjoyment and healthful betterment of the students with emphasis upon good sportsmanship is the goal of this organization.

Men's Athletic Association

Women's Athletic Association

The purpose of the W.A.A. is to cooperate with the Department of Physical Education in promoting and standardizing habits of health and sportsmanship.

President: Joan Colby
Vice-President: Marilyn Brennan
Secretary: Carol Lynch
Treasurer: Joan Hannon

"to foster religious life and activity on the campus"

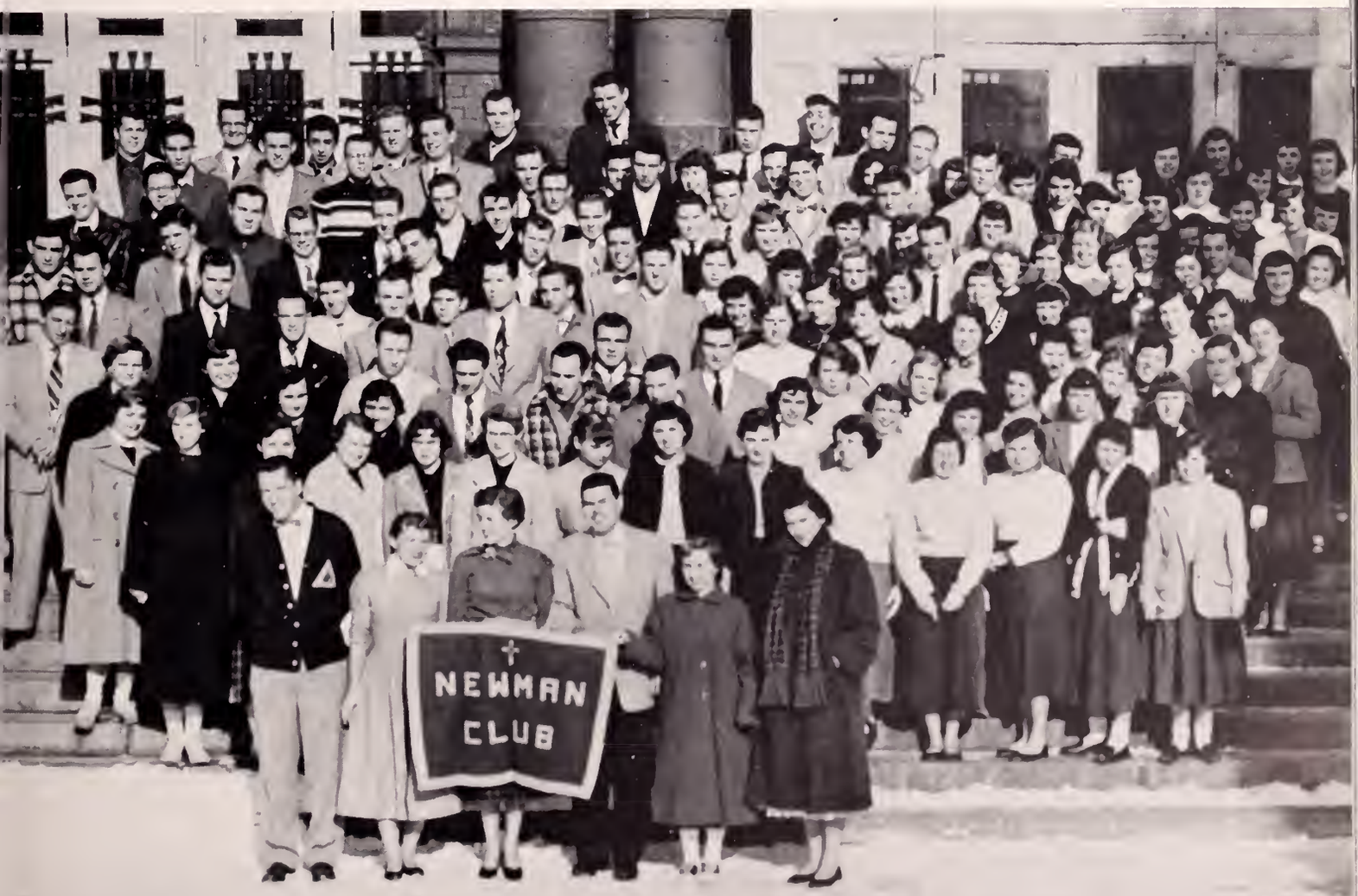
President: John Farrell
Vice-President: Barbara Knowlton
Secretary: Margaret Campbell
Treasurer: Gordon Reed

Student Christian Association

Newman Club

President: Norman Methot
Vice-President: Carole Marchessault
Recording Secretary: Ethel McKellick
Corresponding Secretary: Nancy Sheehan
Treasurer: Paul Ahern

"It's purpose is to foster spiritual and social interests."



This is a National Honorary Professional Organization in Industrial Arts and Vocational Education. The ideals of the fraternity are to recognize the place of skill, to promote social efficiency, and to foster and reward research.

President: Eugene Trombly
Vice-President: Herbert Cross
Secretary: Norman Methot
Treasurer: Albert Mezzanotti

Epsilon Pi Tau

President: Carl Erickson
Vice-President: Richard McGuire
Secretary: Anthony Di Pietro
Treasurer: Vincent De Novellis
Alumni Secretary: David Murphy

The object of this society is to create a spirit of greater fellowship among its members, and to inspire self-confidence in self-reliance when in the presence of others, through experience in public speaking and practice in parliamentary procedure.

Gavelleers

The purpose of the club is to promote co-operation in the school and with the alumni; to foster professional improvement; and to promote athletic achievement among its members individually and collectively, and in school life as a whole.

Chief: George McGaw
Medicine Man: Paul Ahern
Scribe: Paul Walsh
Keeper of the Wampum: Bernard Pollock

Mohawk

To Kalon

The ToKalon society has been established as a social organization for the benefit of women of F.T.C. with similar social and cultural interests. It is designed to furnish mutual enjoyment for the members and to further the ideals for which the college stands.

President: Judy Mann
Vice-President: Phyllis Novak
Rec. Secretary: Mary Mahar
Corr. Secretary: Mary Murphy
Treasurer: Elizabeth McGovern

Esoteric

President: William Mannion
Vice-President: Paul O'Connell
Recording Secretary: Arthur La Frenier
Corresponding Secretary: Richard Alto
Treasurer: Eugene Trombly

The object of this society is to create a spirit of greater fellowship among its members, with the inevitable end that they become more cosmopolitan.

Philodemic

President: Marilyn McElligott
Vice-President: Margaret Provenzani
Recording Secretary: Virginia McGoldrick
Corresponding Secretary: Mary Lou Hickey
Treasurer: Dorothea Fortsch

The philodemics are composed of a number of like minded girls banded together in mutual friendship and cooperation. Our aim is to develop greater school spirit by active participation in work, sports, and social activities, and to cooperate with civic welfare groups in Fitchburg.

Adelphians

President: Maureen Elder
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Corresponding Secretary: Joyce Baudreau
Treasurer: Barbara Priest
Hospitality Chairman: Aristea Biskaduros

The aim of the organization is to band together a group of girls of mutual interests to participate actively in school affairs such as athletics and social functions and to help promote good will and feeling throughout the school.

CLASS SONG

Dear to the hearts of Fitchburg,
Dear to the hearts of all,
Stands our alma mater,
Noble, proud and tall.

And through the years our fame has grown,
More glorious and bright,
And now aspires our '54
To add her ray of light.

Our banner ever waving,
Salutes you F.T.C.
And as we raise our Blue and Gold,
Our hearts all turn to thee.

Charles Thomas

Campus Life

FTC
CLASS
OF 1956

Sports

Massachusetts
This is to certify that
has been awarded the varsity F in
for the season of
by the Student Cooperative Association

Basketball

This team's record of five wins and ten losses is not a true indication of the calibre of play shown by the Falcons. Six of the ten games were heart-breakers, decisions that could have gone either way. The highlights of the season was the upset win over Clark, with expectation of another win next year.

Coach: W. E. Matte
Co-Captains: George McGaw, Bernard Pollock
Manager: David Stone

Soccer

The Falcons came within one game of winning the New England Teachers College Athletic Conference Championship this year. The actual record was four wins, three losses, and one tie. Although seven members of the squad are graduating, prospects are good for another excellent F.T.C. Soccer team.

Co-Captains:
Nelson Rebello
Crane C. Brooks
Manager:
Ronald Bachiochi

The baseball enthusiasts showed up for spring practice this year to try out for positions on the varsity club. A nucleus of nine returning veterans plus the eager freshmen comprised the squad. Although the schedule had been cut for this season there was great interest shown by the students and faculty alike.

Baseball

Field Hockey

Field hockey was a very active sport this year. Members from all classes participated. Competition was carried on to a great extent between the Green Team and the White Team. The Green Team won the tournament by winning two of the three games. A very successful season was enjoyed by all.

Captain Betty Lips

Softball, one of the major sports, is with us in full swing this spring. Freshmen and upperclassmen alike are participating in this favorite outdoor sport, with the intra-mural competition followed by the annual tournament.

Softball

Captain: Nancy Peontak

Basketball

The basketball season brought out an extremely large crowd this year. It was divided into seven intra-mural teams. After a series of competitive play, a fast moving freshman team, the "Hightoppers," walked off with first place.

Co-Captains: Helen Kelly, Patricia Coffin

Tennis did not start until the spring this year because of the rather uncertain weather. However, finally it did get into full swing on our beautiful new tennis courts. It was run on the basis of a tournament which proved to be very successful. All those who did manage to go out for tennis really enjoyed themselves.

Captain: Carol Marchessault

Tennis

Although swimming is a minor sport it is holding its own. We start our program in December and continue it until April, using the pool at the Leominister Recreation Center.

This year the freshmen are showing a real interest in swimming and we are looking forward to increasing participation by the students.

Captain: Dorothy Robus

Swimming

Archery proved to be a more active sport this year. It started in the fall but the weather was not in our favor. However, the spring provided us with ample opportunity to participate and a tournament was held.

Captain: Peggy Provenzani

Archery

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